

DEATH STRIKES A SHINING MARK

KENNETH MURRAY McFARLAND
CALLED BEYOND AT TENDER
AGE OF NINE YEARS.

The funeral service of the late Kenneth Murray, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross C. McFarland, who passed away in Edmonton on March 28th, at the age of nine years, was held in the Irma United church on Friday, April 1st. Friends both young and old filled the church to overflowing to pay their last tribute of respect to the deceased and to show their sympathy for the bereaved. Rev. E. Longmire, Irma pastor, conducted a beautiful service, ably assisted by the local choir.

An appropriate feature of the service was the part taken by the flower bearers. Twenty little boys and girls—ten of each—from the public school were chosen to act as flower bearers, each one carrying a spray of flowers marched ahead of the casket out of the church and lined the walk to the street in honor of their deceased comrade.

The following teen-age boys were chosen as pall-bearers: Robert Simmermon, Allison Carter, Clifford Jones, Arthur Peterson, Donald McKay and Arthur Knudson. Interment was made in the Irma cemetery.

Out-of-town relatives and friends who attended were: Mr. C. A. Riley, Mrs. Horn, Miss Lois and Mr. Donald Horn, Mrs. R. C. Coppock of Cochrane, Alta., and Mr. Douglas McFarland of Calgary, Alta., and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Eaton of Holden, Alta.

A great profusion of beautiful flowers were banked over and around the casket and were contributed by the following relatives and friends:

The Family; Mary and Fred; Nora, Mary and George; Ethel, Douglas and John; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coppock, Harold and Pearl; Margaret and Jack and families; Irma Sunday School; Public School Children; Junior High School and Teachers; Pee Wee Hockey Club; Women's Institute; Village of Irma; Irma Branch Canadian Legion; Ellen and Stan; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. Kasten and H. Kasten; Annie and Charlie Milne; Allie Greenberg and Cecile Shaw; Mrs. Knudson, Aletha

and Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. L. Alexander; Mrs. Arnold and girls and Mary Elliott; Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher; Jim and Dad Hedley; Jim, Elsie and Young Pong; Mr. and Mrs. Raham and family; Mr. and Mrs. New and William New; Ann, Stanton, Elsie and Gar Coulman; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilbraham and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. Martin and family; Mr. and Mrs. J. Halvorson; Mrs. C. T. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill and family; Mr. and Mrs. H. Knudson and Mr. and Mrs. M. Reitan; Brenda Hewitt; Mabel and Walter; Mr. and Mrs. E. Simmons; Mr. and Mrs. R. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. C. Saville, Mrs. E. Elliott, Mrs. McCartney, Mr. and Mrs. Dootson, Mr. W. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Fischer; Mr. and Mrs. B. Sather; Alice and Mrs. Flewelling; Mrs. R. D. Allen and family; Mr. and Mrs. Pryce Jones and family; Mr. and Mrs. Batchelor and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson; Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Simmons; Mrs. H. McKay and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Eaton; Donnie and Doug Harper; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Carter and family and Mrs. Watkinson; McLeod family, Sunny Brae; Mr. and Mrs. A. Long, Mrs. Chase, Mr. and Mrs. E. Tomlinson and Mr. and Mrs. F. Wiese; Mr. and Mrs. F. Lukens; Sigurd and Norman Fluevog; Mr. and Mrs. T. Sanders and family; Mr. and Mrs. Foxwell and family; Rev. Fr. J. E. McGrane; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smithwood, Alex, Ernie, Maude, Clifford and Peggy; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Elford; two former school mates and Chums, Arnold and Victor Larson, Vera, Roy and Flora Lovell; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Jones, Edmonton; Agnes Seton and family; Myril, Wes and Marjorie June; The McBeaths; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Love and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson; Irene and Joe Hardy; Mr. and Mrs. L. McIntyre; Mr. W. Hamilton; Mac McLeod; McFarland Shoe Co.; Great West Saddlery Co., Edmonton; Scott Fruit Co. and staff; W. Masson, in Memory of Murray.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. McFarland and family wish to thank their friends for all floral offerings, messages of sympathy and every kindly consideration shown by all to them in their recent bereavement.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES AT OTTAWA

By DEAN WILSON

It was explained in last week's column that Canada's foreign policies involve a radical change of attitude on the part of the Canadian Government, and while it is absolutely absurd and futile to state that Canada will not aid Great Britain in the event of a war which embroils the British Commonwealth of Nations, yet the point is that this help will not likely be of the same nature and extent as that offered by this Dominion in the Great War of 1914-1918. In other words Canada's foreign policies have changed since the last world conflagration, and the strength and influence of this country will concentrate on defending the principles of democracy in the western hemisphere since there is no doubt that Canadians, regardless of what their international forces which are combating paganism, lawlessness, or other foreign philosophies of government which are dedicated to the destruction of democracy through armed force and treaty violations.

It is impossible for Canada to remain absolutely neutral or completely indifferent towards international affairs since the essence of any nation which depends upon foreign trade in order to maintain a certain standard of living is that this nation accept definite obligations of a world power in suitable proportion to the rights and benefits enjoyed by the said nation. Consequently, Canada must do everything to formulate a concise foreign policy to assure the people that they will have peace, security, independence and a steady progress.

International chaos and mediaeval anarchy exists throughout the world and no nation can afford to sit back and ignore what is happening in any section of this globe. Every Canadian hates war and he would do anything to aid in restoring the nations of the world towards a policy of progress and peace, but it is in realism to state that the eleven million people in this country can not be an easy mark of attack by one of the modern barbarian states and yet it would be almost impossible to expect a victory for Canadians without out-

side aid from a strong power, since Canadians would be outnumbered and outmanned by mere quantities. It is absolutely no reflection on the courage, patriotism or ability of Canadians, but facts must be faced honestly. Canadians are well-known for their own willingness to defend themselves and for their bravery under fire, but what can a Canadian force do against those of Japan, Germany or Italy? Japan controls over 97,000,000, Germany has now a population of more than 75,000,000, and Italy has a population of close to 58,000,000. In each case these people are fully mobilized and militarized, following the authority of the state blindly and on a totalitarian war footing where no consideration is given to private capital or labour. Then again, these military collectivism and despotisms gain ground through fomenting trouble and strife in the international situation by encouraging propaganda and other means to create internal dissension in the democratic nations. Lately, the Western Hemisphere has been flooded by such propaganda, especially in the United States, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, and other parts of this continent.

Therefore, Canada must provide material means or connections to enforce her foreign policies until definite help arrives from the Motherland, or the United States, if that country should decide to invoke the James Monroe Doctrine of over one hundred years ago. This infers that Canada's foreign policies are not that of an isolationist power, but they are closely linked up with those of the Motherland and the United States. Furthermore, it is no secret that no modern barbarian power can afford to antagonize the wealthy Americans whose financial assistance may be needed in any future war since this is a vital factor in modern warfare. Therefore, Canada's foreign policies lie somewhere between that of Great Britain as declared recently by Premier Chamberlain and that of the United States as announced by the Secretary of States in the Roosevelt Cabinet, the Hon. Cordell Hull.

WISE AND OTHERWISE WISE-CRACKS

By Alberta Editors

Lamont Tribune—Beware the day you get this newspaper! It's April Fool's Day. What could be funnier than to tell you to go to the post-office and get your S. C. dividend.

Western Farm Leader—Maybe, only maybe, mind you, after the East Edmonton by-election, Premier King may at long last come to the conclusion that Albertans really do want what they want when they want it.

Vegreville Observer—It is just as well that a good smart storm arose to usher in the real spring season. We have had too easy a winter so far. In these northern latitudes we have been accustomed to lots of cold weather and plenty of storms in the winter. These have been escaped so far this season, but if we don't get them now, we will be sure to get them later on when they are so much more unseasonable.

Red Deer Advocate—Camrose is making a gallant fight for the reopening of the Camrose Normal school next fall, in the face of the adverse report brought in by the commission appointed by the government to investigate the question. The Government has apparently decided to act on this report and close the school at the end of the present term, with a possibility of its reopening some time in the future as a technical school.

Innisfail Province—The Rowell Commission on Dominion-Provincial relations is in session in Edmonton. The Alberta government spent more than \$13,000 on special advisers to assemble material for a case to be presented to this most important commission. No brief is being presented however on behalf of Alberta because our Social Credit government changed its mind (and we use the singular advisedly in this case).

Lacombe Globe—By making sweepstakes lawful, those in favor of the idea point out, the Government can benefit through the placing of an enormous tax on the proceeds without increasing the odds against winning, which are reputed to be 50,000 to 1 in the Irish pool. Through the collection of this tax, they argue, taxpayers of Canada would benefit indirectly.

ALBERTA DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. David Currie and children returned from Edmonton on Sunday. We are glad to report that Mr. Currie is doing nicely since his operation and hopes to be home about the middle of April.

Mr. Herriek Sr. of Kinsella is visiting his daughter, Mrs. G. W. Hardy. Mr. and Mrs. Hay spent several days in Edmonton last week, returning on Friday.

The two short humorous plays entitled "Not a Man in the House" and "Shivering Shocks" presented at the school on Friday night were well received by a large audience. Those taking part in the former play were: Frances Baras, Mary Currie, Mina Currie, Myrtle Ramsay and Dorothy Currie; in the latter: Wilma Currie, Alan Johnson, Arthur Currie, Cyril Jones and Fred Baby. The actors all took their various parts extremely well and much credit is due the directors, Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths. "The dramatic society sponsored the dance following the plays.

UNITED CHURCH NOTES

Rev. E. Longmire, Minister
Sunday, April 10th
Irma Sunday School, 11 a.m.
Public Worship, 7.30 p.m.
Mid-week prayer and fellowship service, Wednesday evening, at 7.30. A hearty welcome to all.

Anglican Church Notes

ST. MARY'S (Anglican) CHURCH
Rev. P. A. Rickard, Vicar
Services will be held on Good Friday, commencing at 8.30 p.m.

"If open hostilities are to be averted throughout the world, nations must be given an opportunity by peaceful and natural intercourse to obtain these things necessary at least for a reasonable subsistence level." — Dr. Lewis W. Douglas.

"The problem of juvenile delinquency in Canada, if not one of the most serious problems of our times, is certainly one of the most distressing." — Judge J. A. Robillard.

PHILLIPS NEWS ITEMS

Tuesday's storm left a great many drifts and east and west roads are again blocked.

Miss Phyllis Collier has resumed her duties at the Phillips school.

In a letter received from J. Crawford, old timer of this district, and now residing at Newton, B. C., he tells of sowing peas and other garden stuff. Why rub it in to less fortunate?

C. L. Bjorkman returned from the Calgary bull sale on Saturday and left Sunday for Edmonton spring show. He was accompanied by Alice Hislop who has a baby bent entered.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Reeves left Friday morning for Hardisty.

Viking News Items

Horace Rollans postcards from Vancouver that he is enjoying the climate and that flowers and gardens are lovely.

J. Hacking arrived from Stettler Monday evening to take the position of ledger-keeper in the Bank of Montreal at this point.

A. Ponech, who has been ledger-keeper at the local branch of the Bank of Montreal, received notice of transfer to the Edmonton office and left on Saturday to commence his duties in the city office. "Andy" made a lot of friends here during his five months stay in wishing him well in the city. Local stores keep open on Saturday evenings until ten o'clock during the summer months. Wednesday afternoon holidays start today at 12.30 noon, and continue throughout April, May, June, July and August.

John Rozmahel returned from a three months stay at Grand Forks, B. C., last week where he enjoyed a visit with relatives and friends. Mr. Rozmahel will resume farming in this district.

Snow storms have come and snowstorms have gone but last week's blizzard was the worst ever seen in this district during the past thirty-five years, say old-time residents like O. B. Nordstrom, Ole Benson and G. A. Loades.

The World of Wheat

By H. G. L. STRANGE
Director, Research Department, Searle Grain Company, Limited

Exchanging the products of the soil of one country for the fruits of the labour of people in other areas, has been practiced since the earliest times.

Wheat grown five or six thousand years ago on the fertile plains of the valleys of the Nile in Egypt and the Euphrates and Tigris rivers in ancient Babylon, was the most important product in this international exchange.

Succeeding waves of civilizations farmed these same lands. The Sumerians, the Assyrians, the Babylonians, the Chaldeans, the Hebrews, the Medes, the Persians, the Phoenicians, the Egyptians, the Ethiopians, the Greeks and the Romans, all in their turn were the producers and exporters of wheat.

Then Britain, Poland, Roumania, Russia, the Argentine, the United States and Canada, became, each in turn, the chief World wheat exporter.

Canada two years ago shipped wheat and flour to 92 different countries, and to 91 this last year.

For 6,000 years or more it has been recognized that the exchanging of products between nations was the surest way to improve the standard of living of the people. It seems a pity now that Governments are acting contrary to the teachings of history, by placing artificial restrictions in the way of that international trade which has ever been so beneficial to mankind.

Viking Herefords Sell Well At Calgary Bull Sale

(From the Viking News)

Herefords raised in the Viking district by W. C. Bissell continue to demand good prices at the annual Calgary bull sale. The four animals that were offered for sale by Mr. Bissell brought the highest average price at the show, while "Viking Blanchard 40th" a pure bred Hereford coming two years old in May commanded the second highest price of all animals sold, the price being \$730.00. This is a fine record and speaks well for the class of cattle Mr. Bissell puts on the market each year.

"The only drawback to this country is that there are too few people in it." — Sir Edward Beatty.



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All new stock. Good serviceable weight. Per pair **85c**

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Keep their feet dry and help to prevent colds!

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Fancy Molasses
Fancy Barbados **45c**
Molasses. Tin....
(Four Pounds in Jam Tin)

COFFEE

One Pound "Golden Hours" Coffee and one E.P.N.S.
Silver Spoon. A really delicious Coffee. Per lb. **37c**

Bath Soap
Seward's "Old English" Bath Soap, an old reliable. **25c**
FOUR large bars for...

Castle Soap
Pure Castle Soap. **25c**
"It Flatters" Cakes for...

Margaret Rose or Princess Elizabeth Toilet Soap
This is a very fine grade of soap. **25c**
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Spanish Government Warship Torpedoes Insurgent Cruiser

MADRID.—Spanish government warships torpedoed a 10,000-ton insurgent cruiser in a dramatic naval battle before dawn Sunday leaving the shattered warship's identity wrapped in flames off the southeastern coast of Spain.

Government planes joined the engagement, 75 miles east of Cape Pulos in the Mediterranean, at daylight, taking additional toll of the insurgent fleet.

A Spanish government announcement identified the blazing warship as the insurgent cruiser Canarias, but the British admiralty, receiving reports from nearby British destroyers, said it was the Baleares, a cruiser of almost identical silhouette.

Loss of life among the cruiser's 765 crew was believed heavy although the British destroyers Kennepent and Boreas carried survivors from the cruiser to other insurgent war vessels.

Both the Canarias and the Baleares, backbone of the insurgent fleet, carried complements of 765 men.

One British seaman was killed and three others slightly wounded during rescue work when a government war plane dropped a bomb near the destroyer Boreas.

The government said the sinking cruiser was struck by a heavy government bomb during the aerial attacks that continued throughout the day even after fog obscured the battle scene.

Government aviators reported another bomb struck the nearby cruiser of the same size as the more seriously damaged warship, leading to the belief both the Canarias and the Baleares had been crippled.

Columns of smoke rose from both vessels.

Shortly after the naval battle started, a government torpedo struck amidships in the cruiser, second in battle-line. Government sources said its position indicated it was the Canarias since the insurgent flagship, the Baleares, normally would have the first battle position.

According to the official Spanish government announcement the cruisers joined battle about 2:20 a.m., well off the government-held port of Cartagena and with the breaking of daylight government bombing planes roared in battle.

The torpedo from the destroyer

Lepanto struck the cruiser squarely amidships about 4:30 a.m. The insurgent warship was shaken by a tremendous explosion, burst into flames and began to list heavily.

As other units of the insurgent fleet moved to her rescue the government war planes dived low, strafing them with machine-guns and dropping incendiary bombs. One of the projectiles was believed to have struck the sinking ship.

Urgent warnings were sent to all foreign shipping to avoid the battle area as government planes continued to attack.

The insurgent battle fleet of eight vessels was led by the cruisers Almirante Cervera, Canarias and Baleares, the backbone of the small insurgent navy blockading the government coast.

The engagement confirmed rumors a reorganized government navy was ready at last to meet the blockade fleet after months of training new officers to replace those who joined the insurgents at the outbreak of the civil war in mid-July, 1936.

The national defence ministry telegraphed the commander-in-chief of the battle fleet to congratulate the entire personnel "for the brilliant result of the combat."

Defence Measures

Appropriations For Strengthening Life Line Of Empire

LONDON.—The ministry disclosed large appropriations for the defence of Hong Kong, Gibraltar and Egypt as it issued its unprecedented estimates for the coming fiscal year.

To strengthen defence of trade lines—"the life line of Empire"—in the Far East and through the Mediterranean, it asked parliament for £119,500 (£397,500) for the air defence of Hong Kong, crown colony off the south coast of China; £25,500 for the Royal Air Force stations in Egypt and £20,000 for Gibraltar.

Report Denied

LONDON.—A formal denial of reports General Gonzalo Quiroga de Llano, insurgent commander in southern Spain, had said "Gibraltar is a den of pirates but fortunately it will not be for long," was delivered at the foreign office by the Duke of Alba, representative here of General Franco, the insurgent leader.

Loan Business

Says Small Loan Company Refuge Of Average Family

OTTAWA.—The small loan company is the refuge of the average family when it runs into financial trouble. Leon Henderson, eminent United States economist, told the banking and commerce committee of the House of Commons in the course of an outline of the small loan business in United States.

The widest study yet made of the financing of the average family, undertaken by United States government, indicated 20 to 30 per cent. of all families are compelled to spend more in a year than their income. Medical attendance, legal needs, intermittent employment, refinancing of instalment purchases send these families to the small loan companies or to "loan sharks."

The committee is studying the possibility of drafting a national law for Canada to regulate interest rates on small loans. They heard that 27 of the states had adopted a model small loan law drafted by the Russell Sage foundation of New York city, and it appeared to be working successfully.

Mr. Henderson agreed a flat maximum rate of 2½ per cent. on unpaid balances might be a starting point for Canada. This would include all charges. If experience showed that the low rate on loans was considerably less in Canada than in United States then this legal maximum might be reduced.

There was no proper comparison between loans on commercial and production loans by banks and rates on small loans to individuals, Mr. Henderson said. If small loan companies had to pay nothing for their money, the cost of making loans, investigating credit ratings and like expenses would require more than bank charges on loans. The mechanics of small loans made a comparison of them with loans by the chartered banks invalid.

The lowest legal maximum in the United States was 2½ per cent., Henderson said, except in Wisconsin, where it was 2½ per cent. on the first \$100, two per cent. on the second \$100 and one per cent. on any remainder. However, the Wisconsin law tended to monopoly, and had in fact, given 90 per cent. of the business to the Household Finance Corporation.

Tax On Banks

Manitoba Bill To Increase Taxation By 40 Per Cent.

WINNIPEG.—A Manitoba government bill to increase taxation on banks by 40 per cent. was introduced in the legislature by Hon. Stuart Garson, provincial treasurer.

At present there is a straight five per cent. on bank main offices and branches throughout Manitoba. If there is a resident superintendent, the chief place of business pays \$5,000; if not, \$3,000. All other Winnipeg branches are taxed \$750, and \$400 for branches elsewhere in the province.

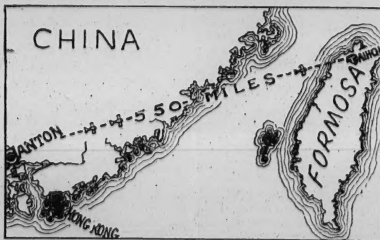
Last year the total collected from banks was \$128,000. The new schedule would increase it to \$175,000.

The new taxation is provided in an amendment to the Corporation Tax Act and will increase each tax item by 40 per cent.

W. R. Sweeney (Cons., Portage la Prairie) and G. F. Renouf (Cons., Swan River) objected to the form of the taxation, declaring it might have the effect of closing several branch banks.

The bill was given a first reading. Cost Of Seeding Operations Saskatchewan.—Farmers in Saskatchewan would require financing of their seeding operations to the extent of from \$20,000,000 to \$21,000,000 this spring, Dr. F. Hedley Auld, deputy minister of agriculture, estimated in an address before the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities here. Original estimates had been set at from \$23,000,000 to \$27,000,000.

JAPAN HAS A TASTE OF HER OWN MEDICINE



For the first time in history, Japanese territory underwent an aerial bombardment when Chinese planes flew from Canton, China, and dropped bombs on the Japanese colonial island of Formosa. The result was rather terrifying for the inhabitants of Taihoku, and the people of Tokio, also were perturbed when reports stated that the planes were en route to Japan to continue the rain of destruction. The map above shows the situation of Formosa in relation to South China.

A MAN'S JOB



Sir George Broadbridge, Lord Mayor of London last year, has just revealed figures which prove the position of Chief Magistrate of the British Capital is no bed of roses. He entertained 38,000 guests at Mansion House, fulfilled 1,200 engagements, involving 1,300 speeches and attended nearly 500 dinners and social functions.

California Floods

Twenty-Six Reported Dead And Ten Thousand Homes Evacuated

LOS ANGELES.—Twenty-six were reported dead, 10,000 homes were evacuated and southern California was virtually isolated in flood waters of the heaviest rainstorm ever recorded in these parts.

Flood waters swirled through low-land areas of 50 communities from Ventura to San Juan Capistrano and from the Sierra Madre mountains to Los Angeles.

Bridges were torn away. Homes were demolished by landslides. Automobiles were swept away in raging torrents. All railway lines were paralyzed. Airports were flooded. Thousands of homes were inundated.

Streets in Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica, Long Beach, Compton, Glendale, downtown Los Angeles and scores of other communities were converted into streams.

Ten of thousands of relief workers were sent into the field as the Los Angeles county major disaster emergency count went into action on its first mobilization.

The largest group perished in the collapse of a foot bridge across the Los Angeles river near Long Beach when 10 were reported swept to death in the Pacific ocean.

Five perished in collapse of homes in Los Angeles and elsewhere.

Three men, a woman and a boy were reported drowned by the flood waters in Lytle canyon, near San Bernardino. Two men were carried to their death in the swirling waters of the Santa Ana river when a trestle was carried away near San Juan Capistrano.

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Social Credit Edifice In Alberta Considered To Be In Legal Danger

OTTAWA.—The Social Credit edifice of Premier William Aberhart of Alberta was considered to be in legal danger as a result of decisions of the supreme court of Canada.

In unanimous judgment, six judges of the court ruled that three Alberta bills relating to credit regulation, bank taxation and newspaper control, were unconstitutional. In addition, they agreed the Dominion retained power to disallow provincial legislation and lieutenant-governors to reserve assent to bills.

Going outside the terms of the reference, Chief Justice Duff and Justice H. H. Davis passed an opinion the Alberta Social Credit Act, the keystone in the legislative efforts of the Aberhart government to establish a new financial system in the province, was unconstitutional. This phase of the chief justice's decision was considered the most important of all because of the legal doubt it cast on the whole Social Credit plans of the Aberhart government.

One interpretation placed on it was that it precluded establishment of a Social Credit financial system in any Canadian province because of lack of legal control over two fields, banking and trade and commerce, held by the Dominion under the British North America Act.

Here are some of the comments of the other judges relating to the Social Credit Act: Judge Patrick Kerwin and Judge O. S. Crockett: "An examination of these provisions leaves no doubt in my mind that the act is an attempt to regulate and control banks and banking as those terms are used in head 15 of section 91 of the British North America Act."

Judge L. A. Cannon: "... I had the advantage of reading the careful analysis of the bill (relating to credit control) prepared by my brother, Kerwin, and his criticism of its different clauses. I find that I could add nothing useful to his reasons. I agree with him and his conclusions."

Judge A. B. Hudson: "It is clear that the three bills submitted are part of one legislative scheme, the central measure of which is the Alberta Social Credit Act. That act has been the subject of a searching analysis by my lord the chief justice and I concur in his reasons for holding that it is beyond the powers of the legislature."

The judges' opinion on the Social Credit Act did not delete it from the statute books or affect it in any way. It was merely an expression of opinion from the bench, but it would weigh heavily on any junior judge who was called upon to pass on the constitutionality of the statute in an ordinary case.

Similarly, the court's decision had no tangle effect on the three bills because they never came into operation in the first place. Lieutenant-Governor John Bowen refusing to sign them after the legislature passed them in October. Unless the supreme court's decision is upset by the privy council, the bills will never reach the statute books or become law.

The supreme court decisions may be appealed to the privy council in England but no decision was made immediately. In Edmonton Premier Aberhart said he understood Prime Minister Mackenzie King intended to launch the appeal. In Ottawa the prime minister said he would be glad to receive recommendations from Alberta on the point.

It was considered unlikely the Dominion would take the initiative in appealing because of its clear-cut victory over the legal contentions of Alberta. At the same time, the fact the court was unanimous and clear cut in its decisions might deter the province from appealing. The decision, however, will be made soon.

Joint Railway Management

Senate Resolution Urges Board Of Directors For Both Roads

OTTAWA.—Joint management of the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway by a board of 15 directors, as recommended in a senate resolution of 1925, was proposed in the Upper House by Senator C. P. Beaulieu (Cons., Montreal).

Canada was the poorer to-day by practically \$1,000,000,000 because action had not been taken to carry out the senate's 1925 resolution, which had been supported by both sides of the chamber, the Montreal senator said.

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Japan Has Real Dictator

General Minami Uses Premier And Emperor As Puppets

The "Far Eastern Question" is of such general concern in America to-day that an explanation as to the real power behind the throne of Nippon may prove of interest to those who are watching the "Mystic Emperor" for some sign of his purpose.

The rising influence in Japan to-day is that of Fascism. It is not called this, because the "new day" in Japan goes forward under the banner of the ancient Shogunate. And this banner is not carried by the scheduled "Mystic" Emperor Hirohito, nor yet by the premier of modern Japan. These personages are merely the humble puppets of a "concealed Mussolini" reading not in Tokyo but in Korea, at the colonial capital of Seoul. His name is General Jiro, Minami, and he is the governor-general of Korea.

This quiet dictator has made the Japanese armed forces his own private army. He is sponsoring the cause of Fascism, as it is known to-day, but its system was well known to the Shoguns of yore. General Minami represents the dual power in the Japanese Empire. He not only represents the army-navy groups, but also the four great families whose members control the financial and economic destinies of Japan.

It is General Minami who is the real power behind Japan's dreams of conquest. It is he who sends an active, if sometimes unwilling, puppet as messenger to the timid, retiring "Mystic Emperor" with orders, demands—and this messenger is no other than the proud premier himself.

It is hard to see what the future of the great Japanese empire will be under the Minami dictatorship. Many thinkers assert Nippon cannot continue its conquest in China because of economic pressure at home, coupled with growing world condemnation and interference from abroad.

It is certain, however, that the "hidden Mussolini" of Korea will not revise his policies until forced to do so. When and if that occurs, what will the Japanese people stand? Probably on the brink of an abyss from which they must work painfully back.

But the Japanese people have the courage to do it, and despite the tragedies of to-day, they are quite likely to emerge once more as a constructive force in world development.—The Argonaut.

Rather A Strange Fact

Man Who Originated Dog Show Has Never Owned One

A man whose name is a household word, yet whom few ever see, is Mr. Charles Cruft, originator of the world's greatest dog show. He was in business as a maker of canine foods when he first conceived the idea of an annual show, according to News of the World, London.

That was many years ago, and he was surprised and delighted when the first show attracted 500 exhibitors. Some recent shows have totalled nearly 10,000.

Though now over 80, Mr. Cruft still superintends the arrangement of the show though, having a holy fear of personal publicity, he contrives to keep out of the limelight. He himself does not keep a dog.

Development Is Slow

Television So Far Has Not Made Very Great Progress

Much is written about television, probably much of it propaganda for selling services. There is little definite promise of television becoming a common thing yet. The head of the Australian Amalgamated Wireless, who recently returned from a tour of investigation in Europe, says that for some years his company has been making inquiries into television wave lengths, and for this purpose Sydney and the area 15 miles around has already been mapped. He is of the opinion that it will be ten years before television will become practicable in Australia as a widespread public service, and that it will not cost ordinary broadcasting for at least 25 years.—Brandon Sun.

"I don't think any woman can keep a secret."

"My wife can. We've been married ten years and she's never told me why she's always wanting money?"

Strawberries from one of the Juan Fernandez islands, known as Robinson Crusoe's isle, grown in the botanical gardens of the University of California.

A man six feet, eight inches tall applied for a job as a lifeguard.

Official: "Can you swim?"

Applicant: "No, but I can wade to beat the band."

Canada Club In London

Was Established In October 1810 With Twenty-Six Members

More than 127 years ago, on October 20, 1810, to be exact, a group of 26 Canadians and Anglo-Canadians gathered in the Freemasons' Tavern in Old London, and there and then established The Canada Club. Canada at that time had a population well under 500,000 and long before that the British spirit of adventure and pursuit of the almighty pound had caused many of England's and Scotland's sons to come to this great empty country to develop trade, largely furs. Among the 26 original members of The Canada Club in London there were eight who had been members of the Beaver Club, a social organization of the partners of the North-West Company in Montreal, which was formed in 1785. That club had an original membership of 19, who were described as "tried winterers" in Canada, a condition of membership being that they must have spent a winter in the Pays d'en Haut. One of the earliest members of The Canada Club in London was Sir Alexander Mackenzie. The club has been the centre of Canadian and Anglo-Canadian life in London throughout its history and is the oldest Canadian organization in the heart of the Empire with the exception of the Hudson's Bay Company.

The Canada Club in London does for Canadians and Anglo-Canadians there what The Canada Club does for them in New York—provides a fraternal centre where members may meet in social intercourse and discuss subjects of importance to themselves and the business they represent. The club has grown as Canada has grown, and during the years since the end of the World War the number of native-born Canadians who have gone into business there has become a large colony of "exiles." Many gravitated back after demobilization because they liked the look of the place and saw opportunities of making good.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Under New Constitution

Rumania's King Carol Setting Himself Up As A Dictator

While the attention of the world is centred on other things King Carol of Rumania is setting himself up as a dictator of the first order. The country has accepted a new constitution that confers upon Carol power which he can make, apparently, as complete and personal as the authority enjoyed by Hitler and Mussolini.

The constitution gives the King the right to appoint and dismiss members of the senate, which of course gives him absolute control over legislation, and it is provided that the constitutional right to urge a change in the form of government. He must accept what his lord and master designs to give him. The king of government, and away with all that democratic nonsense about rule of the people, by the people, for the people! This is to be the rule of the people by the King—for the people? Perhaps.

Carol used to be called the playboy of Europe. He has demonstrated himself seriously. He is ambitious and, in the way of dictators, not too scrupulous. Things being as they are in Europe just now there is no telling how far these qualities may carry him—or in which direction.—Ottawa Journal.

High Speeds Not New

Trains Carried Queen Victoria 100 Miles An Hour At Times

There is nothing new about high speeds on railway trains, states W. L. Clark, in the Windsor Star. In Queen Victoria's reign, special trains sometimes drew her across England at speeds so high the railways were afraid to announce them to the public. Later on it was known that the trains used to exceed 100 miles per hour when the Queen was in a hurry to get from one place to another. To get high speeds nowadays and to give fast, safe service, the railways are going in for lighter cars and "streamlined" trains. The railroads are entering a new era with a zest that promises the public something entirely different in the way of service.

People on the Pacific coast are at last getting an answer to that old question, "Where do the salmon go?" It seems that they go into a floating Japanese salmon cannery.

Alfalfa is probably the oldest known plant cultivated as food for domestic animals, reports the New York State Agricultural College.

Prof: "What's a Grecian urn?"
Student: "Depends on what he does."

There is a population of more than 12,616,300 in the metropolitan area of New York City.

DONALD DUCK AND DONALD DUCK



Meet Donald Duck and Donald Duck. Not Walt Disney's cartoon character, but a real, alive, Philadelphia schoolboy. Donald has a duck and he calls it Donald, too.

Something Really New

Girl In Montreal Received Fried Egg For Valentine

Love has many languages. There is the language of the sweet nothings, of coos and kisses and baby talk. There is the language of the eyes. Crooners on the radio and in the movies hummer for lovers in still another tongue. There is the old-fashioned language of flowers, each bloom carrying its message, and the language of postage stamps—if the stamp is stuck upside down on the envelope it means one thing—kitty corrupted, something else, and so on.

Quarrel of all love languages is the one which came to light on St. Valentine's Day, when a swain in a New England town wanted to send an affectionate greeting to his sweetheart in Montreal. It is the language of the egg.

This original lover sent a money-order for a Canadian National Telegram to cover the cost of a telegram and the delivery of one fried egg.

It seemed mad to the telegraph people, but they were used to handling strange communications and they were not to be stumped. The egg was bought, a restaurant fried it and the telegraph messenger started out with his precious message. He peddled his bicycle as rapidly as his fearfulness would allow, balancing the egg in one hand, and delivered it unbroken and unspiced up.

What its significance was, no one knew but the delighted girl who received the valentine and the lover who sent it.

A Very Ancient Custom

Cave Man Of Stone Age Had Equivalent For Calling Cards

The custom of leaving calling cards when one goes visiting has been traced back to the Stone Age, when men lived in caves. When a cave man called on his neighbor, he threw a rock at the mouth of the cave, to make known his coming. Quite likely it was a matter of personal safety, for otherwise the visitor might have been greeted with a club. Should the neighbor not be at home, the visitor would leave a stone upon which he had scratched his mark. The custom remains to-day in neatly engraved and printed cards.

Location Was Wrong

A clergyman recently, engaged with another in a controversy regarding some question of theology, sent to a newspaper a long article supporting his side of the question. The manuscript had been set up in type for the next day's issue. About midnight the journal's telephone rang furiously; it was the minister who wanted the editor.

"I am sorry to trouble you at such a late hour," he said, "but I am in great trouble."

"What can I do for you?" was asked.

"In the article I sent you to-day, I put Daniel in the fiery furnace. Please take him out and put him in the lions den."

"A man's troubles weigh on him most heavily at about one in the morning," says a doctor. Especially if that is the time when he returns home and finds his wife is awake.

The skeptics society intends to look into the burning of all those silk stockings by dry-damage co-eds, to see how many had runs anyway.

Assistance In Traffic

Manual Signal Does Much To Prevent Highway Accidents

A Western Ontario magistrate has been questioning the utility of hand signals given by motorists in winter weather. "I could never see the idea of opening a car window in order to put out one's hand," he says. "While this is being done anything is liable to happen."

This is perhaps true and yet it will scarcely be denied that the manual signal is of invaluable assistance in preventing accidents on the highways. To others in traffic it gives warning of a driver's intentions as cannot very well be given in any other manner, and there would probably be a great many more accidents if the practice had not developed and, if, indeed, it had not been given legal sanction, and become obligatory in the cases of drivers who desire to shift position or to come to a halt.

Giving hand signals in winter weather may be a bit of a nuisance, but may also present difficulties to drivers who have to open their windows before signalling, but the dangers accompanying winter signalling are much less than the dangers which would exist if there was no such signalling.

The wise driver always signals when he desires to change his course, and it is also the wise driver who keeps his eyes open for such signals and thus avoids accidents.—Brookville Recorder and Times.

For Self Protection

Nations Justified In Arming Against Possible Invasion

A great many good and sincere people have revealed by public expressions of their views that they believe that it is "un-Christian" for their country to arm itself.

They have possibly overlooked these words of the Prince of Peace, as reported by St. Luke: "When a strong man fully armed guards his castle his possessions are in peace, but when a stronger than he comes upon him and conquers him he takes all the armor in which he trusted, and divides the spoils."

Attacking another country in order to take its possessions from it is one thing.

Arming oneself in order to prevent other countries from seizing one's possessions is another and very different thing.

China is discovering that to-day is its sorrow.—Detroit Free Press.

Market For Woolen Tissues

Canada, in 1937, was the chief market for woolen tissues exported from Great Britain, importing 17,700,000 square yards, as compared with 15,300,000 square yards in 1936. Second place was taken by Argentina. In imports of wool "tops" from Great Britain in 1937, the chief market was Germany, "Eire" (Irish Free State) was second, and Canada third.

Trapper Turns Prospector

Veteran of 20 years' trapping in the north, John Carlson, of Stoney Rapids, Sask., said on his arrival at Edmonton by plane that "far is gone in the north" and added he was bound for Vancouver island to do some prospecting. The "north is not what it was," he declared.

Almost one-third of the land surface of Britain is hill land, at present producing little or nothing for the British people.

Directs Chinese Air Force

Wife Of Chiang Kai-Shek Belongs To Remarkable Family

The report that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's American-educated wife is about to relinquish her position as director of the Chinese air force, again draws attention to this remarkable woman and her equally remarkable sisters and brother.

She is a sister of T. V. Soong, also educated in this country, who headed the "Soong Dynasty" at Nanking. An inveterate foe of Japan, Soong gave up the portfolio of finance in the National Government before the present hostilities began, but remains a powerful force in Chinese politics.

One sister of Mrs. Chiang is the wife of H. H. Kung, a descendant of Confucius, who holds sheepskins from Oberlin and Yale, and whose influence in the Chinese Government is probably next to Chiang's.

And another sister is the widow of Sun Yat-sen, founder of the Chinese Republic, who, after Dr. Sun's death, went to Moscow and subsequently denounced Chiang Kai-Shek as unfaithful to the objects of the revolution started by her distinguished husband.

All of the Soongs and their husbands, with the exception of Chiang himself, who finished his education in Japan, attended American colleges or universities.

The "soong girls" were noted for their beauty and charm, as well as for their political ability.

The exploits of the Chinese air force against the Japanese testify to the competence of Mrs. Chiang as an organizer and director in a field new to China, and in other countries usually left to men to develop.—Detroit Free Press.

Soviet Embassy In Washington

Social Life Lacks Little Of Former Time Brilliance

One of the most active centres of Washington's diplomatic society is the Russian Embassy. The big white marble building on Sixteenth street, dates from czarist days, and after the Bolshevik revolution it continued to be held by Bakhtmeteff, last of the imperial ambassadors. When the White Russian attempts to restore the Roflanoff monarchy, had collapsed through the ineptness of Denikin, Kolchak, and the other leaders, and the United States had finally recognized the Soviet regime, the present government in Moscow took over the embassy building. Since then its social life has lacked little of the brilliancy of the old days, when czarist nobles and their ladies paraded up and down the grand staircase. At its parties, says the Argonaut, one is liable to find anybody from John Lewis to a justice of the Supreme Court and a dozen senators.

Spent Life Studying Sun

Late Dr. G. E. Hale Made Many Important Discoveries

Dr. George Ellery Hale, who spent his life studying the sun and learned more about it than any man in modern times, is dead at the age of 69. He had suffered from heart disease for a year. He was director-emeritus of Mt. Wilson observatory in Pasadena, California. It was through him that the world learned that the sun's outer surface is covered of not glowing gases in which great whirlpools swirl outward for 300,000 miles. His discovery of magnetic fields in sunspots was termed the most important solar discovery in 300 years. He invented the spectroheliograph for observing the sun's atmosphere, and other scientific apparatus.

Still In Good Company

Mme. Tussaud, whose waxworks of famous figures are a barometer of power and prestige, said that the figure of Anthony Eden, resigned foreign secretary, had been moved. "Just around the corner," she said. "At present he's with former cabinet members. He's in good company including Stanley Baldwin and David Lloyd George."

Knew When To Stop

A run-away motor truck obeyed a traffic sign in Vancouver, The truck, owned by Dr. Humphries, was parked on a hillside and the brakes failed to hold it. It rolled as far as an intersection and ran into a signpost. The sign said: "Stop."

Some ant settlements contain as many as 400,000,000 inhabitants, yet the members can tell when one of the strange ant invades their domain, even though it be of the same species.

Mrs. de Gass: I was outspoken in my sentiments at the club to-day.

Mr. de Gass (with look of astonishment): I can't believe it, my dear. Who outspoke you?

Royal Air Force

Britain To Make A Stronger Bid For International Air Traffic

Great Britain is to make a bolder bid for international air traffic. Concurrently with the upbuilding of the Royal Air Force, the government announced it will give increased stimulus to civil aviation. Measures are to be taken within the air ministry to strengthen the organization dealing with civil aviation.

State subsidies to air transport companies, now fixed at a maximum of £1,500,000 (\$7,500,000), are to be doubled. External routes are to be allocated Imperial Airways and British Airways. The administration of both companies is to be reorganized.

The government's decision is based on a report of a special committee of inquiry into civil aviation of which Lord Cadman was chairman. The committee's report was released, together with the government's action on it.

The report, in recommending the enlarged subsidy, said it is designed to expand commercial air lines, including those of the West Indies and South America, but left it to the government and the companies concerned as to what routes would be built up.

The committee lays down the principle, and the government agrees, that "the problem of air is one—two sides of a single coin—and that the military aspect of aviation fundamentally cannot be separated from the civil aspect."

In a reorganization of the air ministry a permanent under-secretary of state for air is to be appointed to exercise the general administrative direction of civil aviation. He will be charged with the duty of full and constant correlation of policies of civil and military aviation.

Lord Cadman's committee recommends the higher control of the department of civil aviation must be strengthened, that there must be more vigor in initiating policy and more foresight in planning.

The government has decided to add a deputy director-general of civil aviation with a director of civil research production, selected for technical and general qualifications. The director of civil research will be responsible for ensuring that the civil aspects of research, development and production be given full consideration.

Could Develop Market.

Manitoba's Smoked Goldeyes Should Achieve High Place In Exports

In Canada's smoked fish industry it is rather a drawback to Manitoba's enterprise that only \$27,000 worth of goldeyes figure in last year's production. The smoked goldeye could achieve a high place in exports if put on a marketable basis under trade promotion plans. Once introduced anywhere Manitoba smoked goldeyes should sell themselves. It would maintain a good market abroad if a steady supply, an efficient sales method were employed. As it is the goldeye probably reaches its United States market fully.

There is in Canada a growing domestic demand, too. The needs cultivation. The Manitoba Government does not consider all our natural resources, despite so many experts in its employ.—Brandon Sun.

New Piano Invention

Musician Can Play Scale Of Octaves With One Hand

Appearing with the Toronto symphony orchestra, Miss Winifred Christie, Scottish pianist, played a new type of piano with two keyboards, an invention of Emanuel Moor, on which two octaves can be played with one hand. Moor's piano, fitted with a coupling pedal, is capable of several other easements for the fingers of the pianist. Miss Christie said. For example, she pressed the coupling pedal joining the upper keyboard to the lower, and instead of a scale of single notes played with her right hand, by striking single keys she produced a scale of octaves.

Possible Successors

The Toronto Star says of the five men most prominent mentioned as possible successors to Mr. Bennett, all are natives of Ontario except Mr. Stevens. Meighen and McRae are 63, born near St. Marys and at Glenora respectively; Stevens, 59, born in Bristol, Eng.; Manion, 56, born at Pembroke; Herridge, 51, born at Ottawa.

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LOCALS

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Mr. F. A. Fuder was in Edmonton last Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Carter, on Saturday, April 2, a son. Mrs. W. D. Barber of Linaria, Alberta, arrived home last Saturday evening for a visit with relatives and friends.

Members of Irma L.O.L. No. 2066 are reminded that a lodge meeting will be held at 4 p.m. on April 15th. A good attendance is requested.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crowe, of Vancouver, B.C., formerly of Wainwright, Alberta, visited Mrs. Flewelling and Mrs. Tate and family last week.

Mr. O. Halvorson has purchased the J. R. Love farm west of town. Mr. C. Coffin who has had the farm rented for a few years has moved in to town until he finds a location.

Mr. Frank Younker arrived home last Monday morning from a trip to Prince Edward Island, where he went to visit his mother who was seriously ill but who has since recovered her usual health.

Mr. Ben Maguire who has been employed at the Athona Mine, Goldfields, Sask., arrived home Thursday last for a short holiday. Ben was goalie on the Athona hockey team, which won the league championship.

The picture show on the war in China, put on by the Canadian League for Peace and Democracy last Saturday evening was well attended and a generous collection was received to be used for medical aid for war-stricken Chinese.

Miss Kay Shaw received a sudden call to Viking on April 1st on account of the death of her niece, Miss Hazel Gotobed. We understand the funeral was held Tuesday, April 5th. The sympathy of Irma friends are extended to the bereaved.

Remember the "Charm School" a three-act comedy and royalty published by Samuel French and sponsored by the high school dramatic society in Kiefer's hall, April 14, at 8:15 p.m. Young and old will derive enjoyment from the antics of a man who owned a girls' school.

World of Sport

By H. B. C.

On Friday last Harry Thomas met Joe Louis in the windy city of Chicago. By the time the fifth round was tolled, Thomas was sure he had met the power department of a sulky mule. The first of the "Brown Bomber" may have been covered with leather, but to Thomas he felt like the hard hind hoofs of a kicker. Thomas received \$4,700 for playing target to Joe's punches, and the Detroit negro added \$14,000 to his already fat bank account.

Edmonton Athletic club had great hopes for their hockey prowess in Winnipeg against the St. Boniface Seals. But the sports writers down there thought the boys "nice, gentlemanly" and kindly omitted complimentary terms regarding their ability as hockey players. However the "E.A.C.'s" managed to poke one game into their win account. Local fans who saw them in action at the Arena are loud in praise of these boys. They put on a real attractive demonstration. However they were not just good enough to take the series with the Winnipeg lads.

Those who are interested in popping at wild ducks will welcome the news that "Ducks Unlimited of Canada" has accumulated a fund of \$3,000,000.00 for the purpose of conserving the fast disappearing duck. This effort is a worthy one, for many will remember the Pigeon of their boyhood days, which by the million arrived with each summer, yet became in a few years absolutely extinct. Having seen this species of bird disappear from the earth, it is very easy to believe in the possibility of the extinction of the wild duck. Everyone must co-operate in this laudable undertaking.

The Commercial Grads defeated the Victoria girls to decisively they made a record in winning the Western championship. For girls to score in 45 per cent of their attempts on goal is something far beyond anything ever before achieved. The best of the college teams in the States are elated when they hit the hole in the loop once in five tries, or 20 per cent. Somehow the ability of a girl to throw straight has been one of the jokes of the ages. The Grad girls have proven they can laugh at the boys. Prospective husbands of those damsels will not invite friend wife to toss a rolling pin. The probability of hitting would be too great.

The play "Aunt Samantha Rules the Roost" postponed from April 1st, will be staged in the Roseberry school April 14th. The play will be followed by a dance.

IRMA LADIES' AID

The regular monthly meeting of the Irma Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. E. W. Carter on Thursday, April 14th, at 3 o'clock. Devotional will be taken by Mrs. Masson, and a paper of interest to the Aid will be given by Mrs. Longmire. Chief business of the meeting will be the final arrangements for the dafoodi tea on April 16th. Hostesses will be Mrs. Martin Enger and Mrs. Edward Elford. Visitors are cordially invited to attend. — Mazel C. Frickleton, Sec'y.



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